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The Honorable Susan D. Wigenton
United States District Judge
Martin Luther King Federal Building & Courthouse
P.O. Box 0999
Newark, New Jersey 07102

RE: Maurice Bethea **DKT #:** 12-CR-00301-01

STATUS CONFERENCE REQUEST

Dear Judge, Wigenton:

On October 30, 2020, The Honorable Judge Katharine S. Hayden signed a Probation Form 12C (Request for a Summons) after the offender was charged with violating his term of supervised release. Since that day, the violation has been reassigned to Your Honor given that new federal charges against the offender are being heard before Your Honor. On December 15, 2020, Mr. Bethea is scheduled to appear before Your Honor for a plea hearing on the new federal charge, which is also the basis of the violation of his supervised release under docket number 12-CR-0031-01. Mr. Bethea's original term of supervised release expired on November 16, 2020. A such, we are seeking guidance from the Court as to whether the violation of supervised release should be scheduled as soon as possible or if his case should be made inactive, meaning that we will no longer supervise him, being that his case expired and he is currently being supervised by Pretrial Services on the new federal charges. The Violation of Supervised Release Report (Probation Form 12D) and Sentencing Recommendation is also attached for Your Honor's review.

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We remain available should Your Honor wish to discuss this matter further. The undersigned officer can be reached at (973) 803-6591.

Respectfully submitted,

SUSAN M. SMALLEY, Chief U.S. Probation Officer

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/ mas APPROVED: Digitally signed by Luis R. Gonzalez Date: 2020.12.11 15:21:59 -05'00' LUIS R. GONZALEZ Date Supervising U.S. Probation Officer THE COURT ORDERS: Status conference scheduled for _____. ☐ Violation of supervised release scheduled for _____. **X** Other Supervision by probation to continue until violation hearing is conducted. s/Susan D. Wigenton Signature of Judicial Officer January 19, 2021 Date